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SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS IN THE SUDAN

- 25X1A I. [REDACTED] growing strength of
- 25X1A Communists in the Sudan-- [REDACTED] few Sudanese aware these developments.
- A. Communist labor unions better financed, staffed, and disciplined than free unions.
 - B. Communist and neutralist press has greater circulation than pro-Western.
 - C. Communist and neutralist diplomats outnumber pro-West, 61 to 47.
 - D. Communist technicians and trade missions well established.
 - 1. 30 East Germans alone.
 - E. Local Communist party increasingly active.
- II. Egyptian efforts parallel and sometimes actively support Communists.
- 25X1A A. [REDACTED] joint efforts against Richards Mission.
- B. Egyptian cultural and educational organizations inadequately controlled by Sudanese govt.
 - C. Police infiltrated by pro-Egyptians.
- III. Pro-West Umma Party has majority in provisional coalition gov't, but no clear popular mandate to control subversive elements.
- A. In elections this fall, Umma is expected to win.
- 25X1A B. However, [REDACTED] Egyptians and Communists might use assets to create chaos in attempt to block Umma victory.

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